# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# POWER
# LOK SABHA

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SUPER THERMAL POWER PLANTS AT KANNIHA
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of persons lost their land due to the establishment of Super Thermal Power Plant at Kanniha, Orissa;

(b) whether the government have a proposal to provide job at least to one member of each family whose land has been acquired for the power plant;

(c) whether it was also proposed to provide due compensation to the oustees; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER ( SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA )

(a) to (d) : At Talcher (Kanhia) Super Thermal Power Project of National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC), 1615 persons have los more than 1/3rd of their agriculture land and they have been termed as Substantially Affected Persons (SAPs) who are entitled to rehabilitation benefits.

The amount of land compensation as per the Land Acquisition Act had been deposited by NTPC with the State GovernmentAll the land oustees have received the compensation.

NTPC projects deploy the latest state of the art technology for generation. Therefore, the potential for direct employment in NTPC is limited to very few technically qualified and experienced persons.

As per Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) plan of Talcher STPP, each SAP has to exercise one of the rehabilitation option including employment in NTPC, as indicated in the following table. Rehabilitation assistance already extended has also been shown in the table :

| Sl.No. | Option | Substantially Affected Persons | Rehabilitation assistance extended | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Purchase of Land | 850 | 850 | NIL |
| 2. | Shop Allotment | 21 | 21 | NIL |
| 3. | Cash Deposit | 38 | 38 | NIL |
| 4. | Self-Employment | 42 | 42 | NIL |
| 5. | Employment in NTPC Talcher STPP | 664 | 250 | 414+ |
| | Total | 1615 | 1201 | 414 |

+ (1) Balance SAPs will be considered for employment subject to their suitability and meeting the qualification requirement, age and medical fitness and other prescribed job specifications like experience, test, interview etc. as per NTPC policy.

(2) SAPs not meeting the requirement at (1) above will be allowed to exercise other options than employment options.